GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Proposals for Railway Projects
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has received any proposals/ representations from various organisations/road users as well as Government of Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand for gauge conversion, new railway lines and doubling of railway lines etc. which are essential and obvious for development of ports and industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State, year and proposal-wise;

(c) whether the Railways has approved all these proposals and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the pending proposals, if any, are likely to be approved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (d): Proposals/representations from organizations/road users both formal as well as informal are received by Railways at various levels including Railway Board, Zonal Railways, Divisional Headquarters etc. As receipt of such complaints/suggestions is a continuous and dynamic process, centralized compendium of such requests is not maintained.

These demands from various organizations, State Governments, elected representatives form an important basis to ascertain requirement of projects. The projects are taken up on the basis of remunerativeness, last mile connectivity, missing links and alternate routes, augmentation of congested/saturated lines, socio-economic considerations etc. depending upon throwforward of ongoing projects, overall availability of funds and competing demands. However, it is not feasible to maintain data for fulfilling such demands and no time frame or commitment can be given for approval of all pending proposals.

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